

(Colossians 3:1) Therefore, if you have been raised with Christ, keep seeking the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

(Colossians 3:18-21;4:1)

Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.

Husbands, love your wives and do not become bitter against them.

Children, obey your parents in everything, for this is pleasing to the Lord.

Fathers, do not antagonize your children, so that they will not become discouraged.

Slaves, obey those who are your human masters in everything, not with eye-service, as people-pleasers, but with sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord. Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord and not for people, knowing that it is from the Lord that you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve. For the one who does wrong will receive the consequences of the wrong which he has done, and that without partiality.

Masters, grant your slaves justice and fairness, knowing that you also have a Master in heaven.

1. With Christ, I can fill my _____ with _____ things.

(Colossians 3:2-4) Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.

(1 Peter 5:8 ESV) Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

2. With Christ, I can overcome _____.

(Colossians 3:5-7) Therefore, treat the parts of your earthly body as dead to sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry. For it is because of these things that the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, and in them you also once walked, when you were living in them.

(Romans 7:21-25 NLT) I have discovered this principle of life—that when I want to do what is right, I inevitably do what is wrong. I love God’s law with all my heart. But there is another power within me that is at war with my mind. This power makes me a slave to the sin that is still within me. Oh, what a miserable person I am! Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin and death? Thank God! The answer is in Jesus Christ our Lord.

3. With Christ, I can receive healing for _____.

(Colossians 3:8) But now you also, rid yourselves of all of them: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene speech from your mouth.

(Luke 6:45) The good person out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth what is good; and the evil person out of the evil treasure brings forth what is evil; for his mouth speaks from that which fills his heart.

4. With Christ, I can live _____.

(Colossians 3:9-11) Do not lie to one another, since you stripped off the old self with its evil practices, and have put on the new self, which is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created it, a renewal in which there is no distinction between Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, and free, but Christ is all, and in all.

5. With Christ, I can _____.

(Colossians 3:12-13) So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience; bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so must you do also.

6. With Christ, I can grow in knowing God’s love through community with His _____ and submission to His _____.

(Colossians 3:14 KJV) And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

(Colossians 3:15-17) Let the peace of Christ, to which you were indeed called in one body, rule in your hearts; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God. Whatever you do in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.